

## Health Screening Card and Advisory to Passengers on Swine Flu

Ministry of Health and  
Family Welfare  
Government of India



### (PART-A)

#### ENTRY SCREENING FOR HUMAN CASES OF SWINE FLU

(To be retained by the Immigration Officer)

All persons coming to India from countries reporting human cases of Swine Flu such as USA, Mexico, Canada, Austria, Germany, Israel, New Zealand, Spain and U.K. will fill-up this proforma. You are requested to provide the following information to safeguard your own health.

- Have you visited/transited above mentioned countries Yes/No  
in the last 10 days.
- If yes, kindly answer the following questions
  - Do you have **fever or experienced fever in the past 10 days** Yes/No
  - Is fever accompanied by any of the following symptoms; Yes/No  
Cough/ Shortness of breath / Difficulty in breathing
  - Have you cared for or lived with or had face to face contact with a case of flu or visited or worked in a hospital where cases of flu are being treated, or whether your family member has been a suspect or probable case of Swine Flu (See Part-B for definition) Yes/No

#### Personal Information

- Name of the passenger:
- Seat No. :
- Passport No. :
- Flight No. :
- Date of Arrival :
- Port of embarkation :
- Port of disembarkation:
- Contact Address in India:
- Tel. No. in India :

Signature of the passenger

Signature of Medical  
Officer on duty

Signature of  
Immigration Officer

### PART-B

#### Important Information to Passengers:

- \* **Government of India would be conducting entry screening for all passengers travelling to India from countries\* reporting human cases of Swine Flu.**
- \* If you are travelling from / transiting a country\* reporting human cases of Swine Flu and develop fever with cough at the time of embarkation, consider cancellation of the trip.
- \* **If you develop fever and cough during flight, inform the cabin attendant immediately.**
  - ❖ The cabin staff would provide you with a mask. Please ensure that it is worn properly and covers your mouth and nose.
  - ❖ Airhostess would also provide mask to all those passengers sitting three rows in front and three rows behind.
  - ❖ At the time of disembarkation, before immigration check, a doctor would attend on you. Please answer his/ her questions.
  - ❖ You may be detained at the airport quarantine for observation or admitted to a specified hospital for medical care.
  - ❖ You would be released from health quarantine after the laboratory tests are found negative. In case the reports confirm swine flu, you will be treated with WHO recommended drug.
- \* **If you develop fever and cough within 7 days of your arrival in India:**
  - ❖ Contact local health authorities
  - ❖ Inform the Outbreak Monitoring Cell, National Institute of Communicable Diseases at Tel.No. 011-23921401
  - ❖ Wear a three layered surgical mask. If the mask is not readily available, use tissue paper or handkerchief to cover your mouth while coughing and dispose the paper in the trash bin.

\*(As of 29th April, 2009, Human cases of Swine Flu has been reported by WHO from USA, Mexico, Canada, Austria, Germany, Israel, New Zealand, Spain and U.K).

#### Case Definition

A suspected case of swine influenza A (H1N1) virus infection is defined as a person

with acute febrile respiratory illness (fever  $\geq 38^{\circ}$  C) with onset.

- *within 7 days of close contact with a person who is a confirmed case of swine influenza A (H1N1) virus infection, or*
- *within 7 days of travel to community where there are one or more confirmed swine influenza A(H1N1) cases, or*
- *resides in a community where there are one or more confirmed swine influenza cases.*

A probable case of swine influenza A (H1N1) virus infection is defined as a person with an acute febrile respiratory illness who:

- *is positive for influenza A, but unsubtypeable for H1 and H3 by influenza RT-PCR or reagents used to detect seasonal influenza virus infection, or*
- *is positive for influenza A by an influenza rapid test or an influenza immunofluorescence assay (IFA) plus meets criteria for a suspected case*
- *individual with a clinically compatible illness who died of an unexplained acute respiratory – illness who is considered to be epidemiologically linked to a probable or confirmed case.*

A confirmed case of swine influenza A (H1N1) virus infection is defined as a person with an acute febrile respiratory illness with laboratory confirmed swine influenza A (H1N1) virus infection at WHO approved laboratories by one or more of the following tests:

- *Real Time PCR*
- *viral culture*
- *Four-fold rise in swine influenza A (H1N1) virus specific neutralizing antibodies.*

